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PUBLIC WORKSHOP MINUTES: BOARD OF GAMING

WORKSHOP DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: December 7, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

Frank Long, Chairman, Public Member John Mancus, Vice Chairman, Public Member Roland Neeman, DE Volunteer Fireman's Association Member Ronald Mosher, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas Trader, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Philip Bangle, Deputy Attorney General Kay Warren, Deputy Director Sam Nickerson, Investigative Unit Sherry Clark, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Please see attached listing for those of the public who were present.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Long called the workshop to order at 7:12 p.m.

Introduction by Board's Chairman

At this time Mr. Long introduced the Board members, Philip Bangle DAG, Dr. Susan Akers and Lisa Perlzoff Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Inc. to the public.

Mr. Long informed the public that the purpose of the workshop is to discuss technical amendments and proposed changes to Chapters 11, 15 and 18 of Title 28 and section 8735 (h) of Title 29 of the Delaware Code.

Brief overview of Article II, §17, 17A and 17B of the State's Constitution

Mr. Mancus explained to the public the criteria for the Board to issue a license to an organization based on Article II, §17, 17A and 17B of the State's Constitution.

Comments and questions relative to 28 Del. C. §1801

At this time Mr. Long open the floor to the public for comments and/or questions relating to the proposed changes pertaining to 28 Del. C. §1801. The Board received input from the public concerning the terms "add on" and "re-buys" and a brief discussion was held. The board was informed that "add on" refers to the purchase of additional chips received upon entry and that the two terms do not have the same meaning and suggested that the Board should not make any changes to the existing definitions.

A suggestion from the public was made to the Board indicating that organizations should be permitted to have a mini-tournament(s) "sit and go" which consist of a smaller entry fee, smaller prize amount and no re-buys. Also the organizations would not have to pay an additional fee for the "sit and go" mini-tournaments.

Mr. Mancus informed the public that the Board of Gaming proposed changes to 28 Del. C. §1828 which would increase the prize amounts from \$2000 to \$5000 and \$8000 to \$12000. The Board was informed that if the prize amounts were increased they would have to increase the entry fee therefore suggested that the prize amount remain the same.

A suggestion from the public was made to the Board indicating they should consider the impact of the approval of any license application on existing licensees within the applicant's geographical location prior to granting a license. And the Texas Hold'em Events should be posted on the website.

A question from the public was raised concerning the availability of wristbands. Mr. Mancus indicated that the wristbands were ordered by the Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Inc. and are now available. Lisa Perlzoff indicated the wristbands were embossed with Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Inc. name and phone number.

Comments and questions relative to 28 Del. C. §1101

Mr. Long informed the public that the Board of Gaming proposed changes pertaining to the Bingo prize amount. He indicated that the prize amount would increase from \$1000 to \$2000. The Board received input from the public concerning the increase of the prize amount and how it would affect the organizations and a brief discussion was held.

Mr. Mancus informed the public that the Board of Gaming proposed changes pertaining to the Charitable Gambling wagering limit. He indicated that the wagering limit for all games would

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range from \$1 up to \$5. And the organizations would be able to contract for labor with Third Party Vendors.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board the Workshop meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Clark Administrative Specialist II